

HB0019/223722/1

BY: Finance Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 19
(Third Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 3, after line 19, insert:

“BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Health Occupations

Section 8–6A–01(n)(2) and (o), 8–6A–05(c)(5), and 8–6A–07(c)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2021 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement)

(As enacted by Chapters 818 and 819 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2024)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 15, in lines 9 and 18, in each instance, strike “June” and substitute “January”; in lines 16 and 25, in each instance, strike “October” and substitute “April”; and after line 28, insert:

“8–6A–01.

(n) (2) “Certified nursing assistant–I” includes:

(i) A certified nursing assistant who was certified as a geriatric nursing assistant on [September 30, 2025] **MARCH 31, 2026;**

(ii) A certified medicine aide; and

(iii) A certified nursing assistant who is approved under § 8–6A–05(c)(5) of this subtitle.

(o) “Certified nursing assistant–II” means a certified nursing assistant:

(1) Who, on [September 30, 2025] **MARCH 31, 2026**, was certified as a nursing assistant and was not authorized to practice in a nursing facility or skilled nursing facility; and

(2) Whose authority to practice in a nursing facility or skilled nursing facility continues to be restricted because the certified nursing assistant has not been approved as a certified nursing assistant–I under § 8–6A–05(c)(5) of this subtitle.

8–6A–05.

(c) (5) Beginning [October 1, 2025] **APRIL 1, 2026**, a certified nursing assistant–II may be certified as a certified nursing assistant–I by:

(i) Submitting an application to the Board on the form that the Board requires; and

(ii) Providing satisfactory evidence of:

1. Successful completion of an approved nursing assistant training program; and

2. Passing a nursing assistant competency evaluation.

8–6A–07.

(c) An individual who has met the requirements for a certified nursing assistant on or after [October 1, 2025] **APRIL 1, 2026**, shall be certified with the title of “certified nursing assistant–I”.